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FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER FROM AMBASSADOR BUCHANAN

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: LETTER FROM THE SECRETARY TO WALDHEIM

REF: STATE 130245

1. I DELIVERED YOUR LETTER TO WALDHEIM AT 8:30
A.M. JUNE 5 PRIOR TO HIS SCHEDULED ROUND OF
SEPARATED MEETINGS WITH CLERIDES AND DENKTASH DURING
SAME MORNING. WALDHEIM EXPRESSED GRATITUDE AND
APPRECIATION FOR RECEIPT OF YOUR VIEWS ON CURRENT
STATE OF PLAY AND PROSPECTS FOR PROGRESS ON CYPRUS
ISSUE. HE SAID HE WAS ON "SAME WAVELENGTH" AS YOU
REGARDING TURKISH GOVERNMENT'S CURRENT LIMITATIONS
ON MANEUVERABILITY BECAUSE OF ITS NARROW MAJORITY
BUT ALSO REGARDING NEED, NEVERTHELESS, TO KEEP UP
MOMENTUM OF TALKS. HE TOO WAS OF VIEW THAT CURRENT
ROUND MIGHT AT BEST RESULT IN AGREEMENT TO MEET FOR
THIRD ROUND AT WHICH BOTH SIDES WOULD HOPEFULLY
HAVE DEVELOPED FULLER NEGOTIATING POSITIONS.

2. WALDHEIM WONDERED OUT LOUD WITHOUT SPECIFICALLY
REQUESTING, WHETHER USG MIGHT BE ABLE TO
PERSUADE TURKISH GOVERNMENT TO POSTPONE AGAIN
REFERENDUM NOW SCHEDULED JUNE 8. IN LATTER CONNECTION,
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HE SAID HE EXPECTS VERBAL FIREWORKS FROM CLERIDES

BUT IS HOPEFUL THAT HE CAN CONVINCE HIM TO STAY AT
NEGOTIATING TABLE.

3. IN HIS CLOSING COMMENTS, WALDHEIM OBSERVED THAT IT
WOULD BE TOUGH GOING IN THE NEXT DAYS. HE ASKED THAT
I PASS ON TO YOU THE ASSURANCE OF HIS GREAT APPRECIATION
OF USG SUPPORT IN THIS DIFFICULT TASK AND OF HIS
DETERMINATION TO MAKE A BEST-EFFORT TRY TO KEEP
INTERCOMMUNAL NEGOTIATIONS MOVING FORWARD. HE SAID
HE WOULD BE IN TOUCH WITH ME AT APPROPRIATE TIME TO
PASS ON TO YOU HIS IMPRESSIONS OF CURRENT SESSION.

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